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The Honorable John R. Anderson  
Eighth Judicial District Judge  
147 East Main Street  
VERNAL UT 84078

Re: Uinta Basin General Adjudication--  
1994 Interim Distribution Schedule,  
Duchesne County Civil No. 3070

Dear Judge Anderson:

Enclosed for your consideration are a Motion of the State Engineer and a proposed interim Order to govern distribution of water on the Duchesne-Strawberry River System for the 1994 irrigation season. As you may remember from the Hearings on this matter last year, distribution of this drainage has been regulated under Order of this Court as part of the pending statutory adjudication action in Duchesne County during those years when there is anticipated to be insufficient water to satisfy existing rights. Unfortunately, current snowpack data indicates that an interim distribution Order will again be necessary for the 1994 irrigation season.

Based on the procedure we have used for the past several years, we are hereby submitting the Motion and proposed Order to the Court, and mailing copies of the same to attorneys and others who have expressed interest in the distribution schedule over the years (along with a copy of this letter). You will notice that the Motion, Order and distribution schedule are virtually identical to those submitted and approved by the Court last year. Further, as set forth in the Motion, the distribution schedule was discussed with representatives of the Duchesne-Strawberry Water Users at their annual distribution meeting on February 1, 1994. The water users were virtually unanimous in their support of adopting the same distribution schedule as last year. However, I suspect that Mr. Guy Taylor may again file an objection as he did last year.

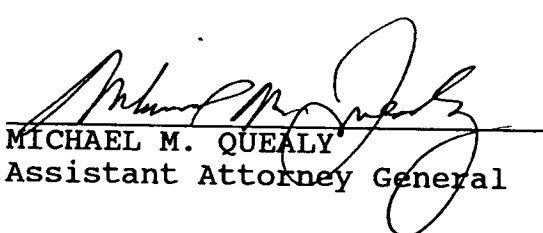
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The irrigation season began on April 1st, and while there currently appears to be sufficient water in the River to satisfy water users without a distribution schedule, the situation could change--particularly if the weather warms up. If any objections are filed to the proposed Order, we would ask that the Court set the matter for hearing as soon as reasonably possible. I will check with the Court Administrator in that regard.

If no objections are filed and these documents otherwise appear to be in order, I would appreciate your executing the Order and forwarding the documents on to the Duchesne County Clerk (in the enclosed stamped pre-addressed envelope) for filing. I would also appreciate a call from your clerk when the Order is signed so that I can so advise the River Commissioner.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to give me a call.

Respectfully yours,



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Enclosures  
ccw/encls: All Counsel and Interested Parties of Record

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